



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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May 31, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3, 4, AND 5  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. RMD3346002 - Roadside Tree Trimming, Agoura, et al., RD 339 and 539, MD 3, FY 2004-05, vicinities of Malibu and Chatsworth (3 and 5), TrueGreen LandCare, with changes amounting to a credit of \$435.00, and a final contract amount of \$249,374.00.

Project ID No. WRDW000005 - West Coast Basin Barrier Project Replacement of Valves at Pressure Reducing Vault, City of El Segundo (4), Barnett VanDyne Construction, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$350,480.98.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board ratification of the Acting Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID No. RMD3346002.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modification to the contract amount for Project ID No. RMD3346002 is a credit of \$435.00, while the total values of the contracts are \$249,374.00 and \$350,480.98, respectively.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE  
Acting Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD3346002, ROADSIDE TREE TRIMMING , AGOURA , ET AL.,  
RD 339 AND 539, MD 3, FY 2004-05 (in the vicinities of Malibu and Chatsworth),  
Supervisory Districts 3 and 5

Contractor: TrueGreen LandCare, 7755 Deering Avenue, Canoga Park,  
California 91304

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$435.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 17, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$249,809.00
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>(435.00)</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$249,374.00</u></b>

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PROJECT ID NO. WRDW000005, WEST COAST BASIN BARRIER PROJECT  
REPLACEMENT OF VALVES AT PRESSURE REDUCING VAULT (City of  
El Segundo), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: Barnett VanDyne Construction, Inc., P.O. Box 4270, Lancaster,  
California 93539

Project Description:

Replacement of existing water valves at a pressure reducing vault; removal of a turbine, generator, bearings, lube oil system, and a sump pump; and perform other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 14, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$340,093.96
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>10,387.02</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$350,480.98</u>

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